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Hon. Victor Marrero United States District Judge United States Courthouse 40 Centre Street New York, NY 10007

Re: United States v. Jason Jones 08 Cr 535 (VM)

Dear Judge Marrero:

As you know I am assigned to represent Mr. Jones. In preparation for the trial there is a substantial amount of work that requires detailed analysis of documents and basic legal research that can be performed by a paralegal.

I hereby seek authorization to employ my para legal, Matthew Wright, to work on the case and to bill him at the rate of \$65.00 per hour. In preparation this will result in a substantial saving. I have applied for this rate in many other cases. No Judge has denied the application. Although there is nothing sensitive about this application, applications for expenditures of CJA funds are traditionally *ex parte*.

Respectfully yours,

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cc: Jerrey L. Tritz, Esq.

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